

Remarks

In response to the Office Communication mailed on January 21, 2009, requesting the election of (i) a CD1d complex that is "either empty OR comprises an antigen (such as recited in, for example, claims 3-6)" and (ii) "one of the specific attachments recited in claims 36-43," Applicants had elected (i) a CD1d/ β 2-microglobulin complex with an antigen molecule and (ii) attachment methods that require the CD1d/ β 2-microglobulin complexes to be fused to antibodies or fragments thereof (as recited in claim 40). (Office Action of January 21, 2009 at page 4). However, in order to be fully responsive to the Examiner's Office Communication mailed May 21, 2009, Applicants hereby elect a **CD1d/ β 2-microglobulin complex with α -GalCer** (represented by claim 4) as a single disclosed species of a CD1d/ β 2-microglobulin complex with antigen. Claims 1-4 and 7-45 read on this elected species. Similarly, Applicants hereby elect **an attachment method wherein the heavy chain of the CD1d/ β 2-microglobulin complex is fused to the antibody fragment** as a singled disclosed species of attachment methods. Claims 1-8, 10-40, and 44-45 read on this elected species. Applicants also wish to clarify that only elected claims 1-43 read on the elected species of CD1d/ β 2-microglobulin complexes without costimulatory molecules.

These elections are made without traverse.

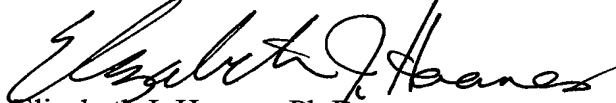
Additionally, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.141(a), with respect to the species elections made, Applicants reserve the right to claim additional species, and/or to have additional species searched and/or examined, in the event that a generic claim is found to be allowable.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction and election of species requirements, and consideration and allowance of all pending claims, are respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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